

## A M E N D M E N T S   t o   t h e   C L A I M S

1. (ORIGINAL) A method comprising:  
establishing a balance of funds for a player;  
determining a wager amount required for a game;  
determining whether the wager amount required is greater than a predetermined amount; and  
displaying a confirmation message if the wager amount is greater than the predetermined amount.
  
2. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the game comprises a plurality of plays.
  
3. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the game comprises a flat rate session.
  
4. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the game comprises a prepaid session.
  
5. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the wager amount required corresponds to a plurality of plays.
  
6. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the wager amount required corresponds to a predetermined period of time.

7. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the confirmation message comprises a confirmation screen.

8. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 7, in which the confirmation screen comprises at least one selectable location.

9 – 14. (CANCELLED)

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~The method of claim 9,~~  
A method comprising:  
receiving a request to initiate play of a game at a gaming device;  
determining whether to present confirmation information to a player; and  
if confirmation information is to be presented to the player:  
determining confirmation information to present to the player;  
presenting the confirmation information to the player;  
receiving a signal indicating that the player confirms the confirmation  
information;  
decrementing a credit balance associated with the player; and  
initiating play of the game,  
in which determining whether to present confirmation information to the player comprises:  
determining a cost to play the game; and  
determining whether the cost to play the game is greater than a predetermined cost.

16 – 32. (CANCELLED)

33. (NEW) A computer readable medium storing instructions configured to direct a processor to perform a method comprising:

establishing a balance of funds for a player;

determining a wager amount required for a game;

determining whether the wager amount required is greater than a predetermined amount; and

displaying a confirmation message if the wager amount is greater than the predetermined amount.

34. (NEW) An apparatus comprising:

a processor; and

a computer readable medium in communication with the processor and storing instructions configured to direct the processor to perform a method comprising:

establishing a balance of funds for a player;

determining a wager amount required for a game;

determining whether the wager amount required is greater than a predetermined amount; and

displaying a confirmation message if the wager amount is greater than the predetermined amount.